## PROGRAMS FOR THE PASSAIC

The **Passaic River** is a mature river, approximately 80 mi (129 km) long, flowing south in its upper regions, then north into a U turn at Patterson, then flowing south to Newark Bay. The river in its upper course meanders from the hills of rural and suburban northern New Jersey through valuable wetlands, draining much of the northern portion of the state through its tributaries. In its lower portion, it flows through the most urbanized and industrialized areas of the state, including along downtown Newark.

The river is an exceptional resource. The programs offered are intended to provide information about the various areas in the Passaic Watershed and information about protecting and enjoying the river.

## May 4 St. James Church, Ironbound in Newark The Passaic River, Its Challenges and Opportunities

Introduction

Kim Gaddy, Chair, Newark Environmental Commission Sister Carol Johnston, Ironbound Community Corporation Riverview Park

What You and Towns Can Do to Keep the Passaic Cleaner Captain Bill Sheehan, Riverkeeper and Director Debbie Mans, Baykeeper A Better Waterfront

Ron Hine, Fund for a Better Waterfront

## May 18 Essex County Environmental Center The Passaic Headwaters - Protection and Special History

The Importance and Protection of Headwaters of the Passaic Dan VanAbs, Former Chair, Raritan Watershed Alliance Industrial, Historic Heritage of Passaic Headwater Lands David Peifer, Highlands Project Director Volunteer Efforts and Getting Citizens Involved Whippany Action Committee

## May 27 Wayne Township Municipal Building, Health Room 2 Special Resources and of the Central Passaic River

Water Supply, Habitat, Recreation, Blue Ways
Ella Filippone, Director, Passaic River Coalition
The Importance of Groundwater to the Passaic
Richard Plambeck, Chair, Groundwater Protection Committee
Recreational Opportunities
NJ Audubon
Boating